

Puerto Rico-Mainland US Environmental Education Exchange Summer 2008



Application Form

Instructions:

Please answer all the questions provided. The Reviewing Committee will be organized to verify eligibility. Please type or neatly write your responses in black or blue ink. This form can be copied to accommodate the needs of additional applicants. When completed, mail to:

Global Environmental Teachings (GET) Program

Attn: Susan Ermer

University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point

WCEE, 403D LRC

Stevens Point, WI 54481

Before mailing your completed application, be sure you have included the following:

- Application Form
- Essay
- 2 Letters of Reference
- Signatures from your principal and school district administrator
- \$300 Deposit

Application Deadline ~~Postmarked By: December 21, 2007~~

EXTENDED TO JANUARY 11, 2008

Feel free to contact Susan Ermer at 715-346-4150
or sermer@uwsp.edu if you have questions or comments.

The Global Environmental Teachings (GET) Program aims to connect K-12 educators and students worldwide through environmental/conservation education.

GET is a non-profit organization dedicated to the advancement of global environmental literacy and is a collaborative effort between the Wisconsin Center for Environmental Education (WCEE) and the Global Environmental Management Education Center (GEM) in the College of Natural Resources at the University of Wisconsin– Stevens Point.



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Please provide all the information below:

Last	First	Middle	M	F
			Gender	
Home Address:	Street	City	State	Zip
School Name				
School Address	Street	City	State	Zip
Home Phone	School Phone	Email Address		

Are you a US Citizen? Y/N _____ Date of Birth: _____ Place of Birth: _____

(City, State)

General Grade Level Taught: _____ Number of years in the education field: _____

General Subject Area: _____

Have you enrolled in UWSP's Extended Masters in Environmental Education Program: Y / N
If so, what is your anticipated graduation date or which year did you graduate? _____

PREVIOUS FOREIGN TRAVEL EXPERIENCE

Please fill in your most recent overseas travel experience. (if applicable)

Place	Dates	Reason for travel (personal, educational, professional, etc.)

Do you have any proficiency in the Spanish language? Y / N

If yes, please circle your proficiency level: just the basics / poor / fair / good / fluent

If necessary, use the space below for additional comments.

SPECIAL NEEDS

Do you have any chronic/reoccurring health conditions that may restrict your participation? Y/ N

If yes, please explain: _____

Do you have any dietary needs or restrictions for us to be aware of? Y / N

If yes, please explain: _____

Do you have any allergies? Y / N

If yes, please list: _____

Do you have any special requests or conditions of concern? Y / N

If yes, please explain: _____

ESSAY

To complete your application, please submit an essay, no more than 3 pages long, explaining your interest in this program. Feel free to use the following questions as a guide.

- 1) How do you feel this educational teacher exchange program will benefit you?
- 2) How do you plan to use this exchange in your profession?
- 3) How do you respond to traveling overseas and encountering different cultures?
- 4) What professional skills and/or knowledge could you offer to this program?
- 5) Explain activities or lessons that you already do or would like to do with your students to help them become aware and understand environmental issues.
- 6) If you have already participated in a GET course, explain how the past course has helped you in the classroom and out.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Please include two (2) letters of recommendation: one from your principal or school administrator and the other from a community member, teacher, or friend who knows you well.

How did you hear about this exchange program? _____

APPROVAL

Please provide your school principal's and district administrator's signature below.

School Principal

I, Mr./ Ms./Dr. _____, understand the value of overseas experience for staff development opportunities and support my staff to participate in this two-week environmental education program in Puerto Rico during the summer of 2008. I understand the attendee will be asked to attend a pre-trip organization meeting in the spring 2008 that will require a one-day leave of absence from school. I approve their involvement in this program.

School Principal Signature

Date

